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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated June 24, 2005, the Applicants herein amend the above-identified application for patent. The Commissioner is duly authorized to charge any proper fee due under 37 CFR that may be due herewith to Deposit Account No. 50-1943.

The currently pending claims and amendments thereto are recited beginning at page 2. The Applicants' remarks begin at page 11.